The rare
of Sir Thos. Overbury's writing

By the King.

TRustie and welbeloued We greete you well. Hauing obserued in the presidents and customs of formertimes, that all the Kinges and Quenes of this Realme, vpon extraordinary occasions, haue vsed either to resort to those Contributions which arise from the generalitie of Subiects, or to the priuate helpes of some well affected in particular, by way of loane: In which later course We being at this time inforced to proceed, for supply of some portions of Treasure for diuers publique seruices, and particularly for continuing and increasing our Magazine in some large proportion, in our Realme of Ireland, in Our Navie and in our Fortes: in all which, greater summes haue bene expended of late, both in building, and repairing, and in making sundry prouisions, then haue bene in twentie yeres before: We haue now in Our Eye, an especiall care, that such discretion may be obserued in the choise of the Lenders, and such an indifferent distribution, as the summes that We shall receiue, may be raised with an equall consideration of mens abilities: And therefore, seeing men haue had so good experience of Our repayment of all those summes which We haue euer required in this kinde, We doubt not but We shall now receiue the like Argument of good affection from you (amongst other of Our Subiects) and that with such alacritie and readinesse, as may make the same so much the more acceptable, especially seeing We require but that of some which few men would deny a friend: and haue a minde resolued, to expose all our Earthly fortune, for preseruation of the generall. The summe that We require from you by vertue of these presents, is [illegible] Which We doe promise in the name of Me, our Heires and Successors, to repay you, or your Assignes, before the fourt and twentieth day of [illegible] which shall fall in the yeere of our Lord God [illegible] The person that We haue appointed to Collect it, is [illegible] To whose handes We doe require you to send it within twelue dayes after you haue receiued this Priuy Seale, which together with the Collectors acquittance, shall be sufficient warrant vnto the Officers of our Receipt, for the repayment thereof at the time limited.

Given vnder Our Priuy Seale in the ix. yeere of our raigne of Great Britaine, ffrance and Ireland.

This [illegible] went not forth but was [illegible]

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of Sir Thos. Overbury's writing

The rare
of Sir Thos. Overbury's murder

By the King.

TRustie and welbeloued Wee greete you well. Hauing obserued in the presidents and custome of former times, that all the Kings and Quee'nes of this Realme, vpon extraordinary occasions, haue vsed either to resort to those Contributions which arise from the generalitie of Subiects, or to the priuate helpes of some, well affected in particular, by way of loane: In which later course Wee being at this time inforced to proceed, for supply of some portions of Treasure for diuers publique seruices, and particularly for continuing and increasing our Magazins in some large proportion, in our Realmes of Ireland, in Our Nauie and in our Forte's: in all which, greater summes haue bene expended of late, both in building, and repairing, and in making sundry prouisions, then haue bene in twentie yeeres before:) We haue now in Our eye, any especiall care, that such discretion may be obserued in the choise of the lenders, and such an indifferent distribution, as the summes that Wee shall receiue, may be raised with an equall consideration of mens abilities: And therefore, seeing men haue had so good experience of Our repayment of all those summes which We haue euer required in this kinde, We doubt not but Wee shall now receiue the like Argument of good affection from you (amongst other of Our Subiects) and that with such alacrity and readinesse, as may make the same so much the more acceptable, especially seeing Wee require but that of some which few men would deny a friend: and haue a minde resolued, to expose all our Earthly fortune, for preseruation of the generall. The summe that Wee require of you by vertue of these presents, is

which Wee doe promise in the name of Vs, our Heires and Successors, to repay to you, or your Assignes, within eighteene moneths after the payment thereof vnto the Collector. The person that Wee haue appointed to collect it, is

To whose handes Wee doe require you to send it within twelue dayes after you haue receiued this Priuy Seale, which together with the Collectors acquittance, shall be sufficient warrant vnto the Officers of our Receipt, for the repayment thereof at the time limited. Given vnder Our Priuy Seale at Our Palace of Westminster the day of in the ninth yeere of our Raigne of Great Britaine, ffrance and Ireland.

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